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SUBJECT: TURKISH REQUEST FOR EARTHQUAKE RECONSTRUCTION
ASSISTANCE

1. DURING CALL ON ASST SEC'Y HARTMAN DECEMBER 16,
TURKISH AMBASSADOR ESENBEL PROVIDED LATEST STATISTICS ON
DEAD, HOMELESS AND INJURED, AS WELL AS ESTIMATE THAT RE-
CONSTRUCTION COSTS WOULD BE TL 1 BILLION.

2. ESENBEL LEFT LIST (PARA 3 BELOW) OF EQUIPMENT
WHICH IS NEEDED. ESENBEL SAID LIST WAS ALSO BEING SUBMIT-
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TED TO OTHER POSSIBLE DONORS.

3. LIST OF EQUIPMENT NEEDED BY TURKEY IN CONNECTION
EARTHQUAKE RECONSTRUCTION:

10 BULLDOZERS (EQUIVELANT TO CATERPILLAR D8)
5 GRADERS (FOR CONSTRUCTION PURPOSES)

5 TRACKED LOADERS (EQUIVELANT TO CATERPILLAR 955)
3 FREIGHTTRAILERS (30 TONS CAPACITY)
8 MOBILE COMPRESSORS (WITH 4 "PUMPING GUNS")
50 DUMPER TRUCKS (10-12 TONS CAPACITY)
10 GENERATORS (30 KW)
10 WATER PURIFYING DEVICES (15-20 TONS/HOUR CAPACITY)
5 ROAD ROLLERS (RUBBER WHEEL TYPE)

30 WIRELESS TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION APPARATUS,
STATIONARY (750 KILOMETERS RANGE)
30 WIRELESS TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION APPARATUS,
MOBILE (250 MILOMETERS RANGE)
4 CRANES (4 TONS CAPACITY)

4. HARTMAN SAID LIST WOULD BE CAREFULLY REVIEWED BUT
MADE NO OTHER COMMITMENT. HE NOTED THAT ADDITIONAL 1,000
TENTS HAD BEEN PROVIDED. ESENBEL SAID TURKS APPRECIATED
EXTENSIVE USG RELIEF ASSISTANCE BUT WERE ONLY NOW BEGINNING
TO FOCUS ON RECONSTRUCTION NEEDS. HARTMAN NOTED THAT
SENATOR KENNEDY HAD ANNOUNCED INTENTION INTRODUCE BILL IN
JANUARY TO PROVIDE DOLS 10 MILLION FOR TURKISH EARTHQUAKE
ASSISTANCE.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSESSMENT
OF TURKISH REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING LIST IN PARA 3 ABOVE,
TO HELP AID/STATE EVALUATE WHAT, IF ANY, ASSISTANCE USG
SHOULD PROVIDE.

6. AID/OFDA IS DOUBTFUL THAT DISASTER ASSISTANCE
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FUNDS, WHICH ARE NORMALLY USED FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND
REHABILITATION, COULD BE USED FOR THE PURCHASE OF SUCH
EQUIPMENT.
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